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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: ARATANI et al  
Serial No.: 09/532,740  
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For: Liquid Crystal Display Apparatus  
Art Unit: 3674  
Examiner: A. Abdulsalam

**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner For Patents  
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January 20, 2004

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application. Amendments to the application are listed below and are set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims;

Remarks are included following the amendments.

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